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The following members of the Nugent family have served as Grand Jurors for the County Westmeath, since 1727 :—

WALTER, 1727 to 1770—JAMES, 1727 to 1768—GEORGE, 1727—PAKENHAM, 1734—RICHARD, 1738 to 1749—THOMAS 1741 to 1753—JOHN, 1749 to 1768—JAMES, 1795 to 1827—JOHN JAMES 1833 to 1853—ANDREW 1757 to 1762. A—1757—LAVALLIN, 1757 to 1796—GEORGE, 1757—HON. EDMOND and EDWARD, 1759 to 1761—ANTHONY, 1762 to 1781—SIR JAMES, 1768 to 1792—ARTHUR, 1768—PETER, 1771 to 1773—SIR PETER, 1796—EDWARD, 1775—JOHN, (*Governor*) 1797 to 1803—THOMAS FITZGERALD, 1800, 1801—SIR JAMES, 1831—WALTER, 1809 to 1811—SIR JOHN, 1847 to 1853—PERCY FITZGERALD, 1823 to 1831 ; SIR PERCY FITZGERALD, 1832 to 1853—JAMES (*Count*) 1836 to 1850—LORD VISCOUNT DELVIN, 1806 to 1811.

The family of Nugent is descended from that of Nogent de Rotrou, descended from the illustrious house of Bellesme, in Normandy—two brothers of which family, Gilbert and Hugh, accompanied William the Conqueror from Normandy, and were with him at the Battle of Hastings.

In the reign of Henry II., (1172.) Sir Gilbert de Nogent, with his brothers—II. Richard, III. Christopher, IV. John, came in the expedition to Ireland in company with Sir Hugh de Lacie.

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The county of Meath was given by his Majesty to Sir Hugh de Lacie, to hold of the Crown by Knight's service, and Sir Gilbert de Nogent marrying his sister Rosa, obtained with her as a marriage portion, the Barony of Delvin, (except the village of Torrochelack, belonging to the Abbot of Four,) which large tract of lands he distributed amongst his brothers and others. He died in 1202, without issue surviving, having had two sons, Adam and Hugh, who both deceased without issue, during the life time of their father.

Richard, the second brother, succeeded, whose only daughter and heir married Richard le Tuit, who became, *jure uxoris*, third Baron of Delvin. He was father to John le Tuit, fourth Baron of Delvin, whose son, Richard Fitzjohn le Tuit, fifth Baron, married Eglantina Dewswell, and was father of Thomas Fitzjohn, sixth Baron; he dropped the name of le Tuit, and his son, Richard Fitzjohn, seventh Baron, was father of John Fitzjohn, eighth Baron Delvin, whose only daughter and heir, Catherine, married Sir William Nugent in 1407, (8th of Henry IV.,) descended from Sir Christopher, son of Sir Gilbert Nugent. He, *jure uxoris*, became ninth Baron Delvin. Thus the honors remained in the family of Tuit, or Tuite, for one hundred and twenty years. By his wife Catherine he had issue,

I. Richard, of whom presently.

II. William Oge, of Moyrath, which he obtained in right of his wife Joane, daughter and heir of Richard Talbot. By her he was ancestor of the Nugents of MOYRATH, DARDISTOWN, BALLINSELOTT, CULVIN, and of Gillstown, in the county of Roscommon—of whom see further hereafter.

Sir Christopher, the third brother, who became settled at Balrath, was succeeded by Sir Almericus Nugent, living about the year 1254, who was father to Sir Robert, the father of Sir Hugo de Nugent, whose son Richard, was father to the Sir William, who, in right of his wife, Catherine Fitzjohn le Tuit, became ninth Baron of Delvin.; by her he had issue as above. Sir William, ninth Lord Delvin, died before 1415.

We now return to Richard, tenth Baron Delvin, heir to his mother. He was Sheriff of Meath in 1424. In 1422 he had a grant of ten pounds a-year from Henry VI. for services performed during the reign of Henry V.; and in 1427, a further grant of

twenty pounds for the capture of O'Conogher, who, with Hubert Tyrrell, had robbed and spoiled his Majesty's subjects near Molyngar; and in 1428, he had an order, dated at Trim, to receive twenty marcs out of the Exchequer, as a recompense for "*having impoverished his fortune in the King's Wars.*" In 1444 he was Lord Deputy of Ireland, under James, Earl of Ormonde, and Seneschal of Meath in 1452. He married Catherine, daughter and heir of Thomas Drake, of Carlanstown, in the county of Meath. He died before 1475, and left issue by his wife,

I. James, his successor.

II. John, from whom descended the family of Killagh.

III. Edward, of Cloncoskrine, now Cloncoskoran, in the county Waterford.

James died during the lifetime of his father, in 1450, leaving issue by Elizabeth, his wife, eldest daughter and co-heir of Sir Robert Hollywood, of Tartayne, or Artane, in the county of Dublin. This Lady brought into the Nugent family the estates of Drumcree, Dysert, and Donouer, which had been purchased by her father from the heirs of Sir Theobald de Verdon, who had married the the eldest daughter of Sir William de Lacie, in the reign of Richard II.

I. Christopher, of whom presently.

II. Robert, of DRUMCREE—See Appendix II.

III. Lavallin, of DYSART—See Appendix III.

IV. Andrew, of DONORE—See Appendix IV,—of all of whom hereafter separately.

We now return to Christopher, who succeeded his grandfather as eleventh Baron of Delvin. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Preston, Viscount Gormanstown, and died in 1493, leaving a son and successor,

Richard, twelfth Baron of Delvin. He sat in Parliament in the time of Henry VII., and was appointed Commander-in-Chief of all the forces in Dublin, Meath, Kildare, and Louth. He was summoned to the Parliament which sat at Castle Dermott in 1498, but neglecting to appear, was fined forty shillings. In 1527 he was made Lord Deputy of Ireland, and in 1528 was treacherously made a prisoner of, by the Irish Chief O'Conor. This Irish Chief in 1528, preying upon the borders of the Pale, the Lord Deputy ordered a yearly rent due to him, out of certain

Carucates of Land in Meath, to be detained. This produced a conference the 12th of May, 1528, at the Castle of Rathin in that county, belonging to Sir William D'Arcie, when, by stratagem, the Lord Deputy was seized and detained a prisoner. Many of his men, in endeavouring to rescue him, were slain, wounded, and made prisoners; all exertions to procure his release proved ineffectual; he remained a prisoner until the Government paid to O'Connor his rent in the following February. He married Isabella, daughter of Thomas Fitzgerald, second son of Gerald Earl of Kildare, and died in 1537, leaving issue,

I. Christopher, of whom presently.

II. Sir Thomas Nugent, of Carlanstown, Knt., married Margaret, daughter of George Fleming, second son of James, Lord Slane, and was ancestor of Robert, Earl Nugent, whose eldest daughter and heir, Lady Mary Elizabeth Nugent, married the Marquis of Buckingham.

We now return to Sir Christopher, Knt. He married Marian, daughter of Nicholas, Lord Howth, and dying in the life time of his father, in 1531, left issue, with two daughters, Catherine, who married, first, Peter, Lord Trimbleston; and secondly, Robert Cusack, second Baron of the Exchequer. Eleanor married John, son of Lord Dunsany. The sons were,

I. Richard, of whom presently.

II. James, of Coolamber, of whom hereafter.

III. Oliver, of Ballina.

IV. Gerald, of Lassaghmadan.

V. Nicholas, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, of whom hereafter.

We now return to Richard, thirteenth Baron, who succeeded his grandfather when fourteen years of age; he was granted a ward by the King, to his prime minister, Thomas Lord Cromwell. In 1553, with the English of Athlone, he conquered Thady Rufus O Melaghlin, and expelled him out of the country; and in the same year, at the request of Cormac M'Coghlan, burned the country of M'Coghlan, contiguous to Lower Delvin. He accompanied, in 1557, the Lord Deputy into Ulster, against James M'Donnell the Scot, and died in 1560. He married Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Jenico Prestou, Viscount Gormanston, by whom he left issue,

I. Christopher. II. William.

III. Mary, married to Sir Thomas Nugent of Moyrath.

Christopher, fourteenth Baron of Delvin, succeeded his father when fifteen years old. He had a grant in 1563 of the Castle and lands of Ballycorbett, in the King's County, to him and his heirs male. In 1565 he received the honor of knighthood. He was made Captain of Slewght-William, in Annally, in 1565, and expressed such forwardness and fidelity to the Crown, that in 1567 articles were made with his Lordship by the Queen, authorising him to extirpate the O'Mores, and their followers. But notwithstanding his services to the Crown in prosecuting these rebels, he was sent a prisoner to the Tower of London in 1580, on suspicion of having entered into correspondence with the rebels of Leinster; his innocence shortly after having been made manifest, he was discharged from prison. He returned to Ireland, and sat in Sir John Perrot's Parliament in 1585. In 1588 he had a grant of the Priory of Foure, in this county. In 1593 he was appointed leader of the forces, at the general hosting on Tarah Hill, and with his kinsmen, the Nugents, he brought twenty men. His services were so acceptable that Queen Elizabeth, by privy seal in 1597, (*besides divers leases of lands,*) ordered him, by warrant, a fee farm grant of forfeited lands in the counties of Longford and Cavan, at his election, as should amount to the crown rent of one hundred pounds a-year, English money. This warrant was not, however, executed during his life, on account of the disturbed state of the country; but King James, in 1603, ordered the sum of sixty pounds, in lands, to be granted to his widow and son. He died in 1602, having married Mary, (daughter of Gerald, eleventh Earl of Kildare,) who died in 1610, and was buried at Castletown Delvin; by her he had issue,

I. Richard, of whom presently.

II. Christopher, of Corbetstown, married Lady Anne Forth, alias Cusack, and died without issue about 1649.

III. Gerald, or Gerrott, of Lissaganeden, who married a sister of Rory O'Donnell's, Earl of Tyrconnell, and relict of Sir — Rorke, by whom he left issue a son, Richard, his heir.

IV. Thomas, of Dunfert, in the county Kildare, died in 1634, without issue, having married Mary (who died in 1645) daughter of Sir Patrick Barnwall, of Crickstown.

V. Gilbert, married Jane, widow of Sir Robert Nugent, of Dysert, and died without issue.

VI. William, of Killasonna, in the county of Longford, married Margaret Leigh, by whom he had issue, John, of Killasonna, whose son, Ignatius, succeeded, and was knighted by Charles VI. He married Anne, daughter of William Langton, by whom he had a son, John Nugent, who succeeded. He died in 1756, leaving by Mary, his wife, daughter of Sir Ignatius Pallis, a son and heir, Christopher, of Killasonna, who married Bridget, daughter and heir of John O'Reilly, of Latoon, by whom he had issue,

I John Nugent, of Killasonna, who married Rosa, daughter of Richard O'Farrall, of Ballina, by whom he had issue,

i. Christopher, Count Nugent, of Killasonna.

ii. Richard, killed in a duel in Silesia.

iii. Ambrose.

VII. Mabel, married, first, Murrough, third Baron of Inchiquin; and secondly, John Fitzpatrick, of Upper Ossory.

VIII. Elizabeth, married Gerald, fourteenth Earl of Kildare.

IX. Mary, married Anthony O'Dempsey, heir apparent to Viscount Clanmalier.

X. Eleanor, married Christopher Cheevers, of Macetown, (and died in 1636,) by whom he had issue six sons and three daughters.

XI. Margaret, married — Fitzgerald.

XII. Juliana, was the second wife of Sir Gerald Aylmer, of Donedeia, in the county Kildare, Baronet.

We now return to Richard, fifteenth Baron Delvin, born in 1585. He was knighted in 1603, at the creation of Rory O'Donnell, Earl of Tyrconnell; in 1607 he was arrested and committed to the Castle of Dublin a prisoner, by Lord Deputy Chichester, for High Treason, being concerned in a conspiracy with the Earls of Tyrone, Tyrconnell, Maguire O'Cahan, and most of the heads of the Irish Septs in Ulster, to surprise the Castle of Dublin, cut off the Lord Deputy and Council, dissolve the State, and set up a government of their own; but owing to the negligence and corruption of Tristram Eccleston, Constable of the Castle, his Lordship's servant was allowed to bring in certain ropes, by the assistance of which he escaped. In 1608 he voluntarily surrendered

to his Majesty, who took him into favour, and directed a pardon to be passed the Great Seal for his life, lands, and goods. In the parliaments of 1613 and 1615, his Lordship was present and so effectually regained his Majesty's favour, that he created him in 1621 Earl of Westmeath. In 1628 and 1633, his Lordship was specially employed to King Charles I., by the Irish, as their agent, for the redress of divers grievances they complained of, and for obtaining sundry graces from his Majesty, who was pleased to agree to his suit in their favour.

In recompense for all his costs and trouble, *which the Irish had neglected to pay*, his Majesty, by letters dated at Westminster in 1633, ordered him the sum of five hundred pounds English. In 1634 he sat in the parliament held by Lord Deputy Wentworth, and was a leading man in the house of Peers, but refusing to join with the Lords and gentry of the Pale in the rebellion of 1641, and, in particular, refusing to send a certain number of men, demanded by them, to the siege of Drogheda, a severe course was threatened to be taken with him for his refusal, being then aged and infirm, and dreading their power and threats, he left his house at Clonyn; a party of forty horse was sent to escort him by the Earl of Ormonde, but they were attacked near Athboy by one thousand rebels, and obliged to yield. The rebels seized his plate and money, to the value of a thousand pounds, stripped the Countess and her gentlewoman in a most shameful manner, massacred his servants, and damaged his houses and lands to the amount of twenty thousand pounds. He died in 1641, of the fatigue and hardship he suffered on this occasion. He married Jane Plunkett,* daughter of Christopher, ninth Earl of Killeen, and sister to Lucas, created Earl of Fingal; by her he had issue,

- I. Christopher, Lord Delvin, married Lady Anne M'Donnell, eldest daughter of Randal, Earl of Antrim, and dying in 1625, during the lifetime of his father, was buried at Clonyn; he had issue by her an only son,

- 1 Richard, who succeeded, of whom presently.

*This lady was a wife of very thrifty and saving habits; she turned every thing in her power to profit, and would not admit of the slightest waste in the household concerns. She was supposed by these means to have acquired a considerable sum of money, and was known in her family by the name of "*Jenny the Scraper*."

II. Francis, of Tobber, who engaged in the rebellion, died without issue.

III. John, of Dromeng, ancestor of Lavall, Count Nugent, Field Marshal in the Austrian service.

IV. Laurence.

V. Ignatius, a Colonel in the French service.

VI. Bridget. VII. Mary.

We now return to Richard, who succeeded his grandfather, sixteenth Baron, and second Earl. He took his seat in the House of Peers in 1644; in 1650 he was General of the Irish forces raised by the Province of Leinster, and in 1652 was excepted from pardon for life and estate, by Cromwell's act of parliament for settling Ireland, but his Lordship having entered into certain articles with the Commissioners of Government at Kilkenny, early in the same year, leave was given him to transport some Irish forces to Spain, and for the raising thereof, he received a passport to travel with three servants in Leinster and Munster for twenty-eight days. His stay in Ireland was further prolonged for six months, with license to raise and transport one thousand cavalry (out of such Irish natives as were, or had been in arms against the Parliament,) for the service of the King of Spain. In 1653 he had an order to enjoy such of his estate as lay waste and undisposed of, and should be planted by him, together with such as he was in possession of from May, 1652, paying contribution, and in November he was permitted to enjoy a full third part of his estate.

He raised his regiment for the Spanish service, and obtained leave to transport them, with himself and his servants, into Flanders, and to return. After his return, an order for his apprehension, together with some of the leading men of Galway, was issued in 1659; but surviving all these troubles, he was considered, after the restoration, as a person meriting, in an especial manner, his Majesty's grace and favour.

In 1666 he had a grant of such right as he had to the lands of Castletown, Balrath, &c., in the Barony of Delvin; in 1667, of his right to certain other lands, and in 1668 he had an assignment of two-third parts of several Rectories, with two grants of lands under the Act of Settlement.

He re-built the Chapel of Foure, as a burial place for himself and

his posterity, as appears from the inscription on a large stone over the north entrance :—

The Right Honourable
 RICHARD NUGENT, Earl
 of West-meath, at his own
 Expenses re-built this
 Chaple, and Castle, for
 The Burying Place and
 Pious use of himselfe and
 His successors, anno
 Domini 1680.

He died in 1684, having married Mary, daughter of Sir Thomas Nugent, of Moyrath, (who was born in 1623, and died in 1672,) by whom he had issue,

I. Christopher, of whom presently.

II. Thomas, from whom descended the Riverstown branch.

III. Francis, IV. William—both died young.

V. Joseph, died a Captain in France.

VI. William, was Member for Westmeath in King James's Parliament, and a Commander in his army, in which he behaved with great courage and conduct, particularly in forcing the pass over the river at Portlegone in 1689, to besiege Londonderry. He was killed at Cavan in 1690. He married Alice, third surviving daughter of Sir Thomas Newcomen, of Sutton, in the county of Dublin, Knt.; by her he had issue, two sons of the name of Thomas, who both died unmarried, and three daughters—Mary, Frances, and Margaret, none of whom survived their father.

VII. Lady Mary, born in 1648, married in 1664, Henry, second Viscount Kingsland.

VIII. Lady Anne, married, first in 1681, to Lucas, sixth Viscount Dillon, secondly to Sir William Talbot, of Cartown, Bart.

IX. Lady Alison, married Henry Dowdall, of Brownstown, in the county of Meath.

X. Lady Elizabeth, died young.

XI. Lady Jane, married in 1685, Brigadier General Alexander M'Donnell, of Dromersnaw, in the county Leitrim, by whom she had two sons—Alexander, and Richard who died in 1620, leaving a son Richard.

We now return to Christopher, the eldest son. He married Mary, eldest daughter of Richard Butler, of Kileash, in the county of Tipperary, (niece to James, first Duke of Ormonde,) and dying before his father, left issue by her, (who deceased in 1737, aged ninety-six,)

I. Richard, who succeeded.

II. Thomas, succeeded his brother, of whom hereafter.

III. John, who succeeded his brother Thomas.

IV. Frances. V. Mary. VI. —

Richard succeeded on the death of his grandfather, and became seventeenth Baron and third Earl. He took on him the religious order of the Capuchin, became a Friar, and died in 1714, at Wassy, in a convent. He was succeeded in the honours by his brother,

Thomas, eighteenth Baron and fourth Earl, born in 1669. He had a pension of a hundred and fifty pounds a-year in King Charles II's reign. He married when about sixteen years old, and was sent to travel. He returned about the time of the restoration, and was appointed Lieutenant-Colonel in the Earl of Tyrone's regiment, in King James's army; for his services therein, he was outlawed in 1691, but being in the city of Limerick when besieged by King William's forces, and one of the hostages exchanged for the observation of the articles of surrender, his outlawry was reversed, and he was restored to his estate and honours. Such reverses were by no means uncommon during the civil wars.

He married Margaret, only daughter of Sir John Bellew, Knt., by whom he had issue, and died in 1752.

I. Christopher, Lord Delvin, who died unmarried in 1752.

II. John, who died before his father, unmarried, in 1725,

III. Lady Mary Nugent, married in 1705, Lord Athenry.

IV. Lady Catherine Nugent, married Andrew Nugent of Dysert.

In the descendants of these Ladies, the Barony of Delvin is presumed to have fallen into abeyance.

John, the third brother, succeeded, and was fifth Earl. He entered the French army, and was a Major-General. He married Margaret, daughter of Count Molza, of the Duchy of Modena, in Italy, by whom he had issue,

I. Thomas, Lord Delvin.

II. Edward, died without issue.

III. Charles, died unmarried. IV. Lady Frances.

His Lordship died in Brabant in 1754, and was succeeded by his eldest son,

Thomas, sixth Earl, who conformed to the Established Church, and took his seat in Parliament in 1755. He was of the Privy Council, and an original Knight Companion of the Order of St. Patrick. In 1787 he had a pension from the Crown of eight hundred pounds annually. He married, first, Mary, daughter and heiress to Walter Durand Stapleton, of the Island of Hispaniola, by her (who brought him a considerable estate, and died in 1750,) he had issue, and died in 1791,

I. Richard, Lord Delvin, of whom presently.

He married, secondly, Catherine, daughter and co-heiress of Henry White, of Pitchfordstown, in the county Kildare, by whom he had issue,

I. Thomas, died an infant.

II. George Frederick, who succeeded, of whom hereafter.

III. Henry, born in 1762, died in 1779.

IV. Catherine, born in 1766, married in 1784, Hon. John, second son of Lord Rodney.

We now return to Richard, Lord Delvin, born in 1742, and killed in a duel in 1761.*—Died unmarried.

*This duel took place at Marlborough Green, or Gardens, in Dublin, between his Lordship and a gentleman named O'Reilly, who ever after was known by the name of Delvin O'Reilly. His Lordship is reported to have been a very expert swordsman, and very successful in all his duels, of which he had many, and that he frequently provoked quarrels for the purpose of showing off his skill in the use of that weapon. On this, to him, fatal quarrel, he is said to have behaved in such a manner to a lady in company with Mr. O'Reilly, as to render it necessary for that gentleman to take notice of it; on which his Lordship immediately drew his sword, calling on Mr. O'Reilly to follow his example. Although Mr. O'Reilly wore a sword, as was the custom of the day, he is thought not to have known whether the scabbard actually contained a blade or not, never having drawn it in his life; however, knowing well the character, reputation, and expertness of his antagonist, while he was placing himself in an attitude the better to show off his figure and skill, he was run through the body by Mr. O'Reilly, and fell a corpse. I have heard it said that little or no enquiry was ever made about the matter, as society found they could get on very well without Lord Delvin.

the antagonist O'Delvin

We now return to George Frederick, born in 1760. He succeeded his father, and was seventh Earl. He married, first, in 1784, Marianne, eldest daughter of James St. John Jeffreys, of Blarney Castle, county Cork, and niece to John, first Earl of Clare, Lord High Chancellor of Ireland; by her he had issue,

I. George Thomas John, of whom presently.

This marriage was dissolved by act of parliament in 1796. He married secondly, in 1797, Lady Elizabeth Emily Moore, daughter of Charles, second Marquess of Drogheda, and had issue by her, (who died in 1814,)

I. Robert Seymour, born in 1805, died in —

II. Thomas Hugh, born in 1807, married in 1843, Mary Anne Bush, and died without issue in 1849.

III. Elizabeth Emily, married in 1820, the Hon. Lionel Charles Dawson, who died in 1842.

IV. Catherine Anne, married in 1823, Francis Bruen.

V. Mary Frances, married in 1837, the Hon. James Hope Wallace.

We now return to George Thomas John, eighth Earl, born in 1785. He married in 1812, Emily Anne Bennett Elizabeth, second daughter of James, first Marquess of Salisbury, by whom he has issue, an only child,

Lady Rosa Emily Mary Anne, married in 1840 to Fulke Southwell Greville, by whom she has issue.

His Lordship was created a Marquess in 1822.

MOYRATH BRANCH.—APPENDIX I.

Sir William Oge Nugent, Knt., second son of Sir William, of Balrath, by Catherine Fitzjohn, in the year 1407 purchased and settled at Moyrath, in the county of Meath, and was knighted by Edmond Mortimer, Earl of March. He married Joan, daughter of Sir Thomas de Tuite, of "The Sonnagh," in Westmeath, Knt., living in 1382; by her he had issue three sons,

I. Thomas, of Moyrath, of whom presently.

II. Theobald, ancestor of the Streamstown family.

III. Nicholas, progenitor of those of Teffernan, Loghgarr, Ballencelott, Culvin, Bracklyn, Clonygeragh, and others.

Thomas, the eldest son, married a daughter of the same family of Tuite, by whom he had Christopher, his heir, living at Moyrath in 1499, who was father to Thomas Nugent, who married a

Miss Plunket, by whom he had issue, Walter of Moyrath, who married Elizabeth, daughter of Peter Lynch, of The Knocke, by whom he had issue,

I. Sir Thomas, his heir.

II. Oliver, of Monilea, Gent.

III. Mary, married to John Luttrell.

Sir Thomas succeeded at Moyrath, and represented this County in parliament in 1561. He was, with others, appointed Ecclesiastical Commissioner for the reformation of religion in this country. He married Mary, daughter of Lord Delvin, and had issue by her, five sons and two daughters.

Sir Christopher, his eldest son, settled at Moyrath, he also lived at Farrow, in this County, and in 1620 was in the Commission for the more quiet settlement of the undertakers and natives in the county of Longford. He married in 1601, Elizabeth, daughter of Richard Luttrell, of Luttrellstown, by whom he had issue, five sons and two daughters. He died in 1619, and was buried in Taghmon Church.

I. Thomas, his heir, of whom presently.

II. James, who married Mary, daughter of ——— Farrell, of Ballintobber.

III. Sir Francis, a Capuchin Friar.

IV. Christopher. V. Edward.

VI. Bridget, married Walter Nugent of Donore.

VII. Mary, married Barnabas Scurlock, of Frayne, in Meath.

We now return to Thomas, the eldest son, born about 1598, was created a Baronet, by privy seal and patent, in 1621, and being a person of principal interest in Westmeath, had a commission in 1641 for the Government of the County, but not being able to preserve it from the ravages of the rebels, he stood *neuter* for some time, in order to preserve himself. He was comprehended in the Articles made at Kilkenny in 1652 and 1653, and was permitted to enjoy, till further order, so much of Dardistown and Moyrath, as were not let or disposed of to any other person. He married Alison, daughter and heir of Robert Barnewell, of Robertstown, in the county Meath, by whom he had issue,

I. Christopher, who died before him, without issue.

II. Sir Robert.

III. Francis, of whom presently.

IV. Mary, married to Richard, second Earl of Westmeath, as before stated.

V. Mabel, the second wife of Laurence Cruise, of The Naull.

Francis, the second surviving son, who lived at Dardistown, married Bridget, sister of William Dongan, Earl of Limerick, by whom he had issue, four sons and two daughters.

We now return to Sir Robert, the second Baronet; he succeeded at Moyrath, and was seated at Taghmon. He was declared innocent of the rebellion, and in 1662 was restored to the estate, when his father should die; he had also a grant of lands under the Act of Settlement in 1666. He married Thomasine, daughter of — Eore, of Ballyardon, and died in 1675, leaving issue by her, one son, Sir Thomas, and daughters.

Sir Thomas, the third Baronet, married in 1675, Anne, youngest daughter of Carey, Earl of Rosecommon, and commanding a regiment for King James II., followed him to France, and was raised to the rank of Colonel in that kingdom. By her he had issue two sons—Sir John Nugent, of Faragh, and Richard, both attainted for the rebellion.

BRACKLYN BRANCH.

Of the Bracklyn Branch, was Thomas Nugent, who in 1542, married Alicia, daughter of George Barnewall, of Arrolston, and left a daughter, Anne, (married to her first cousin, Edward, son of George Barnewall,) and a son, Edward Nugent, of Bracklyn, who died in 1597; his son, Thomas, having died before him, he was succeeded by his grandson, Edward.—He had issue six sons, Gilbert, Peter, Gerald, Robert, Thomas, and John. The eldest married Rose, daughter of James Walsh, of Shanganagh, and was father to Edward, of Bracklyn, who had a son, Edward, and a daughter, Eleanor, married to Robert Nugent. Edward, of Bracklyn, sixth in descent from Thomas, as above, died in 1730, leaving three sons,

I. Nicholas, who died without issue.

II. Michael, of Bracklyn, who married in 1718, Margery, daughter of Thomas Nugent, of Dungomin, county Cavan.

III. Oliver, of Clouygerath, in this County, who in 1719, married Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Patrick Dowdall, of Clonmerril, (by his wife, Anne Nugent,) and had issue, a daughter, Mary, born in 1720, who died soon after.

DRUMCREE BRANCH—APPENDIX II.

James Nugent, eldest son of Richard, tenth Baron of Delvin, married, as before stated, Elizabeth, elder daughter and co-heir of Sir Robert Hollywood, of Artaine, in the county of Dublin, by whom he obtained the estates of Drumcree, Dysert and Frewgin, or Donouer.

These estates had been purchased by Sir Robert Hollywood from the heirs of Sir Theobald de Verdon, husband to the eldest daughter of Sir William de Lacie, in the reign of Richard II.

Robert, the second son, succeeded at Drumcree; he was living in 1487; his son, Christopher, died in 1526, having married Eleanor Plunkett, by whom he had issue two sons, Oliver and Edward.

Oliver was knighted, and married Anne, daughter of Thomas Barnewall, of Newtown; he died in 1557, and left issue by her,

Sir Robert, his heir, who married Anne daughter of Sir Thomas Nugent of Karro Langston, by whom he had issue. He died in 1560, or 1562, leaving his son,

Oliver, four years of age. He married Anne, eldest daughter of Edward Barnewall, of Crickstown, by whom he had issue four sons—

I. Christopher, died without issue.

II. Robert, died also without issue.

III. Lavallin, who succeeded at Drumcree. IV. Richard.

Lavallin married Elizabeth —, by whom he had issue, six sons and four daughters. He died in 1610, and was succeeded by his eldest son,

Nicholas, born in 1570; he married Anne Birmingham, by whom he had a daughter, Margery, (who married James White, of Clongell, in the county of Meath,) and a son,

Christopher, of Drumcree, who married Margaret Reilly, by whom he had issue three sons—Oliver, John, and Robert.

Oliver adhered to King James II., and forfeited his estates. He married in 1689, Jane, sister of Christopher Nugent, of Dardistown, and left issue, one son and one daughter. From this family is descended that of Streamstown.

TULLAGHAN AND DYSERT.—APPENDIX III.

Lavallin Nugent, the third son of James, eldest son of Richard,

tenth Baron of Delvin, by Elizabeth Hollywood, as before stated. He married Mary, daughter of John Pettyt, Baron of Mulleugar, by whom he had issue two sons,

Edward, the elder, married Catherine, daughter of John, Lord Slane, by whom he had issue,

James, his heir, who married Mary, daughter of Sir John Barnewell, of Crickstown, by whom he had issue,

Christopher, who married the eldest daughter of Sir John Russel, of Sealstown; by her he had issue,

Sir Garrett, who married Margaret Cheevers, of Macetown, by whom he had issue,

Edward, who succeeded his father, and represented this County in Parliament, with Edward Nugent of Morton, in 1585. He married Margaret, daughter of the Great O'Connor O'Falely; by her he had issue, two sons—Sir Robert and Andrew. He was succeeded by his eldest son,

Sir Robert, seated at Ballybranagh, in this County, and had a general pardon granted to him in 1608, another in 1609, and a third in 1610. He married Jane, daughter of Edward Brereton, but died without issue by her, and was succeeded in 1620 by his brother,

Andrew, then forty-four years of age, and married to Maud, Ferrall, of Mornin. He had, in 1620, a special livery of his inheritance, and in virtue of the Commission of Grace, had a confirmation in 1638, of the entire manor and lands of Dysert, and the castle, town, and lands of Tullachan, with many other lands in the counties of Meath, Westmeath, and Dublin, all of which had been granted to his brother, Sir Robert, by patent, in 1611. By his wife he had issue four sons,

I. Edward, of whom presently.

II. Christopher, of Kilcowley and Scurlockstown.

III. John. IV. Robert, who left a son Robert, alive in 1783.

Edward, the eldest son, married Catherine, daughter of Sir Ambrose Forth, Knt., by whom he had issue two sons—Lavallin and Ambrose.

Lavallin married Ellice, daughter of Sir Edmond Tuíte, of Tuítestown; he died in 1701, having had issue by her, six sons and one daughter,

I. James, the eldest, married Barbara, daughter of Hans Wid-

man, (afterwards Wood,) of Hanstown, and dying before his father, left a daughter, Catherine, the first wife of Gerald Dillon, of Dillon's Grove, in the county of Rosecommon.

II. Garret, the second son, succeeded at Dysert and Tullachan, of whom presently

III. Robert. IV. Thomas. V. Andrew. VI. Peter—all died before their father, without issue.

VII. Bridget, married Richard, the son of Robert Nugent, of Aglnagaron, in the county of Longford, who died without issue in 1701.

Garret, of Dysert, married Alison, daughter of Sir Robert Nugent, of Taghmon, Bart., and dying in 1728, left issue,

I. Andrew, his heir, of whom presently.

II. James, who married Frances, daughter of James Nugent, of Castle Nugent, and died in 1742, having had issue.

III. Barbara, married John Aylward, of the county of Galway. Andrew, the eldest son, married Catherine, daughter of Thomas, fourth Earl of Westmeath, by whom he had issue four sons and three daughters,

I. Lavallin, born in 1722, of whom presently.

II. John. III. Anthony. IV. Patrick, who died young.

V. Margaret, married in 1738, Andrew Savage, of Portaferry, in the County Down, and died in 1741, leaving issue, two sons—Patrick, born in 1739, and Andrew.

VI. Barbara, married James, son and heir to Hugh O'Reilly, of Ballinlough, by whom she had issue, several children.

VII. Alieia, married Christopher Barnewall.

Lavallin, the eldest son, became seated at Tullachan, where he lived several years, and died unmarried about the year ——. He was succeeded by his brother,

John, who had been Governor of Tortola, and died unmarried in the year 1812.

Anthony, the youngest son, died during the life time of his elder brother, Lavallin.

On the death of Governor John Nugent the property devolved on Sir Hugh O'Reilly, of Ballinlough, and on Andrew Savage, of Portaferry, both of whom assumed the name of Nugent. Another part of the property came to Admiral Sir John Talbot, (who died in 1851,) son of his niece, Baroness Talbot of Malahide.

Rogers, but died in 1797 without issue.

We now return to Pierce Fitzgerald, who married Christina, daughter of Thomas Nugent, of Donore, by whom he had issue,

I. Thomas, of whom presently, elder son.

II. Lattin.

Thomas entered the Royal Navy, and married Mary, daughter of Christopher Dardis, of Jigginstown, in this County. He took the name of Nugent, and is supposed to have fallen in action. He served as Sheriff in 1801. By his wife he had issue,

I. Percy, of whom presently.

II. Peter, born in 1802, called to the Bar; he inherits the family estate of his grandfather, Pierce Fitzgerald, which surname he bears.

III. Thomas, drowned in 1838; died unmarried.

IV. Ellen, V. Mary—both died young.

Pierce, or Percy, succeeded at Donouer, and on the death of Lady Nugent in 1831, acquired the property. He was born in 1797, and married in 1823, Elizabeth Maria Eleanor, only daughter of Walter Sweetman, by whom he has issue,

I. Thomas, born in 1824. II. Walter, born in 1827.

III. Percy, born in 1828. IV. James, born in 1833.

V. Margaret. VI Anna Maria.

He was created a Baronet in 1831; by sign manual he assumed the name and arms of Nugent. He served as Sheriff in 1835, and represented this County in Parliament.

NEWBRIDGE, NOW CLONLOST.—APPENDIX V.

Andrew Nugent, the fourth son of James, eldest son of Richard, tenth Baron Delvin, by Elizabeth Hollywood, as before stated. He settled at Frewgin or Donouer, and married Mary O'Dowd, by whom he had issue,

I. Walter. II. Theobald, who left a son William.

Walter succeeded, and married the daughter of Sir James Dillon, of Drumrany, and by her had issue,

I. James, who succeeded. II. Meyler.

James succeeded at Donouer; he married Elizabeth, daughter of Christopher Nugent, and dying in 1580, left issue by her,

I. Richard, his heir, who succeeded at Donouer.

II. Thomas, of Newbridge, or Clonlost, of whom we treat,

e This Thomas married Ismay, daughter of Theobald Nugent, of Newhaggard. He settled at Clonlost, and had issue by his wife,
I. James, of whom presently. II. Oliver, of Wardenstown.

MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTION IN THE OLD CHURCH AT CLONLOST.

This monument is erected by Thomas Nugent, Esq., of Clonlost, for the interment of himself, and Ismay Nugent, his wife, daughter of Theobald Nugent, Esq., of Newhaggard, county Meath, and for sd. Thomas Nugent's family.

Anno Domini 1672.

We now return to James, born in 1573. He married Marian, sister to Adam Pettyt, and dying in 1626, was buried with his father, in the Chancel of Clonlost. By his wife he had issue,

I. Andrew, born in 1604, died without issue.

II. Redmond, died unmarried.

III. Thomas, of whom presently.

IV. Walter, of Carpenterstown, who died in 1727, leaving issue,

1 James, died at Rathfarnham, and was buried at Clonlost.

2 Walter, married Sarah, daughter of — Judge, of Gageborough, by whom he had issue,

1. Arthur, married Martha, daughter and sole heiress of John Raynor, of Tubbertinan, in the county of Meath, by whom he had issue, Walter, of SALLYMOUNT, who married Priscilla, daughter of Andrew Sayers, and died without issue in 1838.

3 Henry; 4 William, died in America; 5 Thomas, died in 1788.

Thomas succeeded at Clonlost. He was a Captain in the army, and received a grant from Charles II., in 1683, of Newbridge or Clonlost, with other lands in Westmeath, which were created into the manor of Newbridge. He married in 1693, Mary, or Alice, daughter of Thomas Smyth, of Drumcree, by whom he had issue,

I. James, of whom presently.

II. Thomas, married Elizabeth Hales.

III. Anne. IV. Elizabeth, married James Tisdall.

V. Alice, married Thomas Smyth.

VI. Mary, married Thomas Wade. VII. Hannah.

James succeeded, and married Jane, (born in 1697,) fifth daughter of John Cooke, of Moygullen, now Cookesborough, by whom he had issue. He died in 1748.

11. John, of whom presently.

I. Walter, married Miss Smyth, and was father to John Nugent, of Merriion-square, with other children.

III. Nicholas, a Captain in the army. IV. James.

V. Elizabeth, married Richard Reynell.

VI. Martha, married Thomas Burrough. VII. Cassandra.

John succeeded at Clonlost. He married in 1753, Elizabeth Poer, eldest daughter of Richard Trench, of Garbally, in the county of Galway, sister to William, first Earl of Clancarty; by her, (who died in 1825,) he had issue,

I. James, of whom presently.

II. Richard, entered the army, and died in the West Indies.

III. William, died young.

IV. John, entered the army, and attained the rank of Major-General. He served with the 38th Regiment through the Peninsular Campaigns, and commanded it in several actions. He married Frances, daughter of Richard Reynell, of Reynella, by whom he had issue,

1 Eyre Trench John Richard, late of the 59th Regiment.

2 Frances, who married Samuel A. Reynell, of Archers-town. *d. aut 56.*

V. Fanny, married Hon. Robert Rochfort. VI. Alicia.

VII. Jane. VIII. Elizabeth.

IX. Hester, married in 1790, George Magil, Captain in the 5th Dragoons; she died in 1846, having had issue,

1 John, Captain in the 38th Regiment.

2 William, of Littleton, in this County.

X. Emily, married William Lenox Naper, of Littleton, and died in 1850.

XI. Louisa, married Phillip Batty, of Ballyhealy.

We now return to James, born in 1766. He served as Sheriff in 1799, and was Lieutenant-Colonel of the Westmeath Militia. He married in 1809, Isabella, eldest daughter of Major Andrew Parke, of Dunnally, in the county of Sligo. He died in 1832, leaving issue,

I. John James, of whom presently.

II. James Andrew, entered the army, is a Captain in the 36th Regiment; married in 1844, Hester, only daughter of John Magil, by whom he has issue a daughter, Hester, *et. Helen*

VI. Anne, married Theophilus Dillon, of Ballymacallon, ancestor to the Clonbrock family.

VII. Julia, died unmarried.

We now return to James, who succeeded on the death of his father, in 1693, at Ballinacor. He married Eleanor, eldest daughter of Major John D'Alton, of Doneil, (by his wife, the daughter of George Jones, of Rathconrath,) by whom he had issue,

I. Edmond, of whom presently.

II. John, entered the French service, and was Captain in Fitz James's Regiment of Cavalry; he distinguished himself particularly at the battle of Fontenoy, in 1745, on which occasion he obtained the Cross of St. Louis. He married the daughter of Commodore Pearse; on her death he left the French service, and retired to Ballinacor, where he died in 1779, without issue.

III. Robert, IV. William, both died young.

V. Mary, married James Fox. VI. Anne, died unmarried.

VII. Frances, died unmarried, aged 103.

Edmond to whom we now return, succeeded at Ballinacor on the death of his father in 1747. He married Elizabeth,* eldest daughter of Oliver D'Alton, of Loughan, (now Mount D'Alton,) by whom he had issue, and dying in 1779, was buried in the family burial place, at Killare.

I. James, of whom presently.

II. Oliver, III. Mary, both died infants.

* Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Oliver D'Alton, of Loughan, (now Mount Dalton,) by Catherine, daughter of Hugh O'Reilly, of Ballinlough, by a daughter of Sir Daniel O'Neil, which daughter Catherine was a sister of James O'Reilly of Ballinlough, the eldest son of the said Hugh; which James married Barbara, daughter of Andrew Nugent of Tullaghan and Dysert, by Lady Catherine Nugent, daughter of Thomas, fourth Earl of Westmeath, and was father of Sir Hugh O'Reilly of Ballinlough, created a baronet in 1795. Elizabeth D'Alton was sister of Christopher D'Alton of Mount D'Alton, and of General Richard Count D'Alton, Field Marshal, Governor of the Netherlands, who died at Spire unmarried in 1792, and of General James D'Alton, both of the Imperial service. She was, by patent of the Empress Maria Teresa, dated 14th April, 1778, created a Countess of the Empire, with remainder to her eldest son, James.

James, Count Nugent, to whom we return, born in 1742, succeeded to the title in right of his mother ; he married, first, during the life-time of his father, Mary daughter of Henry Brown, of Bushtown, in the county of Dublin, Barrister-at-Law ; she died in her first confinement, at Ballinacor, in 1775, without issue surviving. He married secondly, Matilda, eldest daughter of Constantine O'Donel, of Larkfield, in the county Leitrim, and died at Ballinacor in 1811, leaving issue,

I. Edmond, of whom presently.

II. John, entered the Navy under the auspices of Admiral the late Sir Thomas Pakenham, and obtained a gold medal for his conduct at the Battle of the Nile, though only a midshipman, and has since received several marks of distinction for his conduct as a British officer. He married, but has not any issue.

III. Lavallin, died unmarried at Demerara.

IV. Constantine entered the army, and was Captain in the 64th Regiment of Foot ; he was at the taking of St. Lucia, in the West Indies, and died there in 1804.

V. James, from whom the STREAMSTOWN family are descended. He died at Streamstown in 1833.

VI. Richard O'Donel, called to the Bar.

VII. Thomas D'Alton, entered the Imperial service in 1819, under the auspices of his kinsman, Field Marshal General Prince Nugent, as Lieutenant in the 4th Imperial Dragoons.

VIII. Mary, married Henry Higgins.

Edmond, Count Nugent, to whom we now return, succeeded on the death of his father, having married in 1798, Teresa, daughter of Bryan Geoghegan, of Rosemount, by whom he had issue. He died in 1828.

I. James, of whom presently.

II. Bryan. III. Gilbert.

IV. John Joseph, of Rosemount, married Anna, daughter of George Stapleton, of Mountjoy square, Dublin.

V. Edmond, died unmarried in 1850.

VI. Teresa, married in 1826, William Thomas Dillon, of Togherstown.

VII. Elizabeth married in 1842, Captain James Fitzgerald, of the 77th Regiment.

VIII. Bridget, became a Nun.

IX. Matilda, X. Mary, both died young.

James, Count Nugent, to whom we now return, succeeded at Ballinacor on the death of his father. He served as Sheriff in 1838, in which year he married Olivia, fourth daughter of George Stapleton, of Mountjoy-square, in the City, and of Cassino, in the county of Dublin, by whom he has issue,

I. Edmond, born in 1842. II. George, born in 1843.

III. James, born in 1845. IV. Richard, born in 1850

V. Mary Josephine. VI. Anna.

The estate of Ballinacor was sold in 1852, in the Incumbered Estates Court.



